GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SUSPECTED INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST GROUPS INDIVIDUALS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether US had, in August, 2002 placed six more Pakistanis in its list of individuals and groups of international terrorist activities besides including Pak-based militant outfits Jaish-e-Mohammed, Lashkare-Toyeba and Harkat-ul-Mujahideen in the list of designed individuals and outfits, whose property was locked world-wide;

(b) if so, the names of individuals and outfits so far designated by India and which of these are common to both the Indian and the US lists; and

(c) the criteria followed in drawing out such lists?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): As per information available, since September 2001, the United States has periodically reviewed its list of Specially Designated Global Terrorists, Foreign Terrorist Organizations and Terrorist Exclusion List. These lists, besides others, also contain the names of some Pakistani nationals and groups, which have been added from time to time by US Government.

(b) The terrorists organizations banned in India under Prevention Of Terrorism Act, 2002 (POTA), as well as listed by USA, so far, are as under:

1. Lashkar-e-Toiba
2. Jaish-e-Mohammad
3. Harkat-ul-Mujahideen/Harkat-ul-Jehad Islami
4. Babbar Khalsa International
5. International Sikh Youth Federation
6. Al-Qaeda
7. Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE)

(c) In India the organizations are enlisted as terrorist organizations under provisions of Section 18 of POTA. The specific criterion followed is as per Sub-section (4) of Section 18 of POTA.